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**Slow Relief Work in Orissa**

2038. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that cyclone relief works in Orissa moved at snail pace as reported in Times of India, dated 11th July, 2000;

(b) whether Government have examined the contents of the White Paper laid in the Orissa State Assembly on 7th July, 2000; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S.B.P.B.K. SATYANARAYANA RAO):

(a) It is the responsibility of the State Government to undertake necessary relief and rehabilitation measures. No information regarding relief measures progressing at snail's pace has been received by this Ministry.

(b) and (c) The contents of the said White Papers if any, have not been send by the State Government.

**Problems of Fisheries in Gujarat**

2039. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation of MPs and Gujarat Minister of Agriculture met him during May, 2000;

(b) whether they handed over a memorandum regarding Gujarat fisheries problems;

(c) if so, the action taken thereon;

(d) the details of demands accepted and rejected; and

(e) the reasons for rejection of demands, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. DEBENDRA PRADHAN): (a) and (b) A delegation of MPs and Gujarat State Minister of Fisheries had met the then Minister of Agriculture in May, 2000